

STATE REGULATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REVIEW COMMITTEE

CANDIDATES FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE

NOTICE: The information requested herein is needed to assist the Committee in its investigation of candidates for the Public Service Commission. This questionnaire is the initial step in the investigation of your candidacy. A completed questionnaire should be returned to the Committee as soon as possible, but in any event no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 8, 2010. (Use and attach separate sheets, if necessary.)

PLEASE SPECIFY THE SEAT FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING (THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE): Sixth
District _____

1. Full Name: Mr. James Beard Jr.
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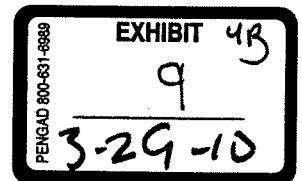
Home Address: 504 N. Warren Street
 Timmonsville, S. C. 29161

Business Address: 123 N. Warren Street
 Timmonsville, S. C. 29161

2. Date of Birth: 1949

6. List each institution of higher learning you attended, including dates of attendance and degrees awarded. Please provide an official transcript no later than the date of your screening hearing. If you left any institution without receiving a degree, state the reason for leaving.

Benedict College 1967-1972
B.A. English



7. List any continuing education courses or other professional education or training programs that you have attended in the past five years.

Residential Care Administrator's license require 18 continuing education hours each year which are approved by S C Dept Of Labor LLR in the area of Residential Care

8. Have you been employed or held any position in any of the following areas?

- ☐ (a) energy issues
- ☐ (b) telecommunications issues
- ☐ (c) consumer protection and advocacy issues
- ☒ (d) water and wastewater issues
- ☐ (e) finance, economics, and statistics
- ☐ (f) accounting
- ☐ (g) engineering
- ☒ (h) law

Please provide the duration of your employment or service and details about the nature of the work or the position.

AMENDED RESPONSE

(d) Water And Wastewater

In 1985 as the Mayor of Timmonsville I was involved with the planning of the Town's Wastewater Treatment Facility. I supervised the Public Works Director who was certified as the operator of the water and wastewater operations. As the Administrator in the Mayor-Council form of government, I was involved in all phases of the development of the Town's Wastewater Treatment Facility from acquisition of land to the approval of the ordinances which dealt with rates for water and sewer services. This position as Mayor and Administrator placed the total responsibility of all operations of the water and wastewater facilities in the office of the Mayor. Although the Public Works Director was the operator of records, in this position I learned a wealth of knowledge concerning the production and distribution of drinking water as well as the treatment of wastewater. During this period we were instrumental in extending our sewer line to the I-95- Hwy 76 intersection approximately four (4) miles from the town. The basic experience I gained in this position was the importance of providing quality utility services to the consuming public while enhancing the public's infrastructure. As mayor being involved in and conducting public hearings on water and wastewater afforded me the opportunity to hear comments from the public while ensuring that mandated policies were being enforced.

(h) Law

I was employed by the late Attorney Mordechi C. Johnson in 1973-1974 on a part-time as needed basis to do legal research on cases attorney Johnson defended. As instructed I would go into the county court house where attorney Johnson was to defend clients and compile information specific to the client's case. In this position I was able to analyze specific elements in past cases which provided statistical and historical relevance to attorney Johnson's defense of his client. This position was an opportunity in which I gained an admiration for law and Learned how to be specific in researching information without being prejudice.

10. Have you ever held public office? If so, provide details, including the office, whether elected or appointed, the length and dates of your service. Also, state whether or not you timely filed reports with the State Ethics Commission during the period you held public office. If not, were you ever subject to a penalty. If so, provide details, including dates.

AMENDED RESPONSE

Appointed S.C. Human Affairs Commission 1976- 1978

I supervised cases assigned to me with staff investigators. I was responsible for signing off on cases once a complete investigation was conducted. We were responsible to see that no individual was discriminated against based on their race, age, sex, religion or national origin.

(No reports filed late and no penalties)

Elected Timmons ville Town Council 1979 – 1985

I served as a voting member of the town council on issues pertaining to the administration of the town's government in compliance with state law. I advocated for the codification of the town ordinances

(No reports filed late no penalties)

Elected Mayor Timmons ville, S. C. 1985-1987

I served as chief administrator of the town supervising all departments. I chaired council meetings and voted as other members of council. I prepared the budget and I saw that all laws were enforced. I was responsible for the overall administration of the town on a day-to-day base.

(No reports filed late no penalties)

Appointed S. C. Data Over Sight Committee 1993-1996

I served on this committee which was responsible for approving the release of medical information to third parties upon request only after specific information was protected.

(No reports were filed late no penalties)

Elected Mayor Timmons ville, S. C. 2006-2009

Under the council form of government (weak Mayor) I chaired council meetings and voted as other members of council on matters pertaining to the administration of the town's government. During this period (2008) I received a one (\$100) dollar penalty for my ethics report being one day late which has been paid. Other than this my record is fine.

11. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, provide details, including dates.

AMENDED RESPONSE

Yes

- (1) Mayor Town of Timmons ville November 3, 2009 Election under protest by another candidate in that race.
- (2) S C Public Service Commission January 1998 I withdrew during the process with the understanding that it would be to my advantage if I applied at a later time.

12. Please list in chronological order any employment of you by any governmental agency (whether full time or part time, contractual or at will, consulting or otherwise). Provide dates of employment, name of employer, name of supervisor, and major job responsibilities.

AMENDED RESPONSE

Agency	Year	Supervisor	Duties
S.C. Dept of Labor Migrant Division	1977- 1983	Miss Suzette Bailey	Duties were to provide employment and training services to farmworkers and to supervise the activities of the regional office.
Town of Timmons ville	2006-2008	S. C Code of law Title 58-10-40	Under the Council form of Government acted as the Administrator supervising department heads . Chaired Council meetings and saw that the town laws were enforced.

13. Please list in chronological order any occupation, business, or profession in which you have been engaged or employed (other than serving in a public office or being employed by a governmental agency). Please briefly note the nature of your work during each period.

1972- 1973	Timmons ville High School.	Study Hall Instructor/ Assistant Coach	Assisted students with homework assignments and instructional study habits to include personal counseling. I assisted the head coach with the football and basketball teams.
1973- 1974	Pee Dee Economic Development Corp.	Survey Analyst	Duties were to survey the economic conditions of the economically disadvantage individuals in the Pee Dee area.
1974- 1977	South Carolina Resources Development Corp.	Regional Coordinator	Duties were to assume the overall responsibility of the Regional office in the Pee Dee area. We provided supportive services and employment and training services to Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers.

1983- Present	Beard Residential Care Facility	Administrator
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We provide residential Care services to disabled residents who require personal assistance on a day to day basis who cannot provide for themselves.

14. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? Explain.

Administrator Beard Residential Care Facility A Family Business

30. List all professional organizations of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices that you have held in such groups.

S. C. Association of Community Residential Programs Parliamentarian 2004-Present

31. List all civic, charitable, religious, educational, social, and fraternal organizations of which you are or have been a member during the past five (5) years.

Bethlehem Baptist Church
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity
Airplane Owner & Pilot Association
S. C. Association of Community Residential Programs
S. C. Conference Of Black Mayors

32. State any other information which may reflect positively or negatively on you, or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for a position on the Public Service Commission.

This is my second attempt for consideration for the sixth district seat. I want the opportunity to prove that I will make a good commissioner as I did when I was appointed to the S. C. Human Affairs Commission by Governor James B. Edwards in 1976. I am able to listen objectively without prejudice and to always apply the laws approved by this state and nation. I can be depended upon to be just and to work harmoniously with others.

33. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five (5) persons, including your banker, from whom references could be required. Also, furnish this Committee with letters of recommendation from each person listed herein.

1) Rev Leonard L. Cain

2) Ms. Faye Butler

3) Mr. Joseph L Graham

4) Mr. James H. Johnson

5)Atty Mark W. Buyck Jr.